

21. A method according to claim 20, wherein the base member defines an upper channel within which the upper row of teeth of a user is received or the base member defines both upper and lower channels within which respectively the upper and lower rows of the teeth of a user are received.

22. A method according to claim 20, wherein the continuous layer of thermoplastic material is moulded substantially fully across the surface area of the base member in said second moulding step and wherein the layer of thermoplastic material is injection moulded from EVA while it is locked in position in the second mould.

AI 23. A method according to claim 20, wherein the base member is injection moulded from polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene or santoprine.

REMARKS

This amendment is submitted to better conform the application to United States practice by, inter alia, eliminating multiple dependencies from the claims.

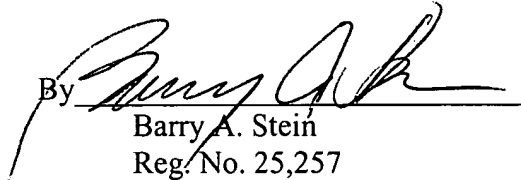
It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good form for initial examination on the merits. Accordingly, prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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